20397. Adulteration of peanut butter. U. S. v. 23 Cases \* \* \*. (F. D. C. No. 34623. Sample No. 44831-L.)

LIBEL FILED: January 23, 1953, District of Connecticut.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about December 5, 1952, by Producers Peanut Co., Inc., from Suffolk, Va.

PRODUCT: 23 cases, each containing 24 12-ounce jars, of peanut butter at East Hartford, Conn.

LABEL, IN PART: (Jar) "The Peanut Kids Creamy Peanut Butter."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the article consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of insect parts and rodent hairs; and, Section 402 (a) (4), it had been prepared under insanitary conditions whereby it may have become contaminated with filth.

DISPOSITION: April 16, 1953. Default decree of condemnation and destruction. On April 28, 1953, the court amended the decree to permit the product to be denatured and delivered to an organization, for use as bird feed.

20398. Adulteration of coconut coating. U. S. v. 9 Cartons \* \* \*. (F. D. C. No. 34732. Sample No. 8291-L.)

LIBEL FILED: February 27, 1953, Western District of Pennsylvania.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about May 1, 1951, from Long Island City, N. Y.

PRODUCT: 9 50-pound cartons of coconut coating at Wilkinsburg, Pa.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the article consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of live insects. The article was adulterated while held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce.

DISPOSITION: March 9, 1953. Default decree of condemnation. The court ordered that the product be delivered to a city institution, for use as animal feed.

## MISCELLANEOUS FOODS

20399. Adulteration of meat preservative. U. S. v. 2 Drums \* \* \*. (F. D. C. No. 34648. Sample No. 39490-L.)

LIBEL FILED: On or about February 3, 1953, District of Maryland.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about January 13, 1953, by Morris Laboratory Co., Inc., from Guttenberg, N. J.

PRODUCT: 2 drums, each containing 204 pounds, of meat preservative at Baltimore, Md.

LABEL, IN PART: "Morris Erhaltungssalz Use: \* \* \* Prevents Discoloration due to Oxidation."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (2), the article contained an added poisonous and deleterious substance, thiourea, which is unsafe within the meaning of the law since it is a substance not required in the production of the article and can be avoided by good manufacturing practice; and, Section 403 (i) (2), the article was fabricated from two or more ingredients, and its label failed to bear the common or usual name of each ingredient.

DISPOSITION: February 26, 1953. Default decree of condemnation and destruction.